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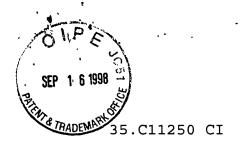
In re Application of: Docket No. 35.C11250 CI MANABU KATO Appln. No.: 08/951,635 Examiner: D. Schuberg October 17, 1997 Group Art Unit: 2872 For: SCANNING OPTICAL APPARA Date: September 16, 1998 RECEIVED RECEIVED THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS Washington, D.C. 20231 SEP 2 2 1998 MAR 1 2 1999 **GHOUP 2100** Sir: Publishing Division Transmitted herewith is a Preliminary Amendment in the above-identified application. RECEIVED RECEIVED No additional fee is required. APR 1 2 1999 NOV 1 9 1998 The fee has been calculated as shown below. GROUP 2100 TECHNOLOGY CENTER 2890 CLAIMS AS AMENDED (2) (4) (5) CLAIMS PRESENT RATE HIGHEST ADDITIONAL REMAINING NO. **EXTRA** FEE AFTER PREVIOUSLY **AMENDMENT** PAID FOR TOTAL MINUS x \$11 CLAIMS 48 31 17 \$22 \$374.00 INDEP. MINUS x \$41 CLAIMS 3 \$82 246.00 Fee for Multiple Dependent claims \$135°/\$270 TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT---\$620.00 °Verified Statement claiming small entity status is enclosed, if not filed previously. |X| A check in the amount of \$620.00 is enclosed. \_\_\_ to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate of this

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Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

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09/18/1998 MMARMUL 00000130 08951635 ease add new Claims 44-60 as follows:

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--44. A scanning optical apparatus comprising:

light source means having a plurality of light source units capable of being independently modulated;

a deflecting element for deflecting a plurality of independently modulated beams of light emitted from said light source means;